Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. - 45. (cancelled)

- 46. (new) A cosmetic formulation comprising (a) at least one activated aluminum compound which is effective as antiperspirant, (b) at least one α -hydroxycarboxylic acid which comprises mandelic acid and (c) water.
- 47. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 46, wherein (a) comprises one or more activated aluminum salts.
- 48. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 47, wherein (a) comprises activated aluminum chlorohydrate.
- 49. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 46, wherein a ratio of (a) to (b) is from 15:1 to 1:1.
- 50. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 49, wherein the ratio is from 12:1 to 2:1.

- 51. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 49, wherein the ratio is from 10:1 to 2.5:1.
- 52. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 46, wherein the formulation comprises from 1% to 35% by weight of (a), based on a total weight of the formulation.
- 53. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 52, wherein the formulation comprises up to 25% by weight of (a).
- 54. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 53, wherein the formulation comprises up to 20% by weight of (a).
- 55. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 46, wherein the formulation comprises from 0.1% to 10% by weight of (b), based on a total weight of the formulation.
- 56. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 55, wherein the formulation comprises up to 8% by weight of (b).
- 57. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 46, wherein the formulation comprises an O/W microemulsion.

- 58. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 57, wherein the formulation comprises a microemulsion gel.
- 59. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 58, wherein the formulation comprises an oil-in-water microemulsion which comprises an oil phase, a water phase and less than 20% by weight of one or more emulsifiers, based on a total weight of the microemulsion.
- 60. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 59, wherein the oil phase is essentially composed of constituents of low volatility.
- 61. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 59, wherein the one more emulsifiers comprise one or more O/W emulsifiers selected from polyethoxylated, polypropoxylated and polyethoxylated and polypropoxylated O/W emulsifiers and one or more optional W/O emulsifiers.
- 62. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 61, wherein the microemulsion is obtainable by bringing a mixture comprising the water phase, the oil phase, the one or more O/W emulsifiers and the one or more optional W/O emulsifiers to a temperature within or above a phase inversion temperature range and subsequently cooling the mixture to room temperature.
- 63. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 62, wherein droplets of a discontinuous oil phase

are joined together by one or more crosslinker substances whose molecules comprise at least one hydrophilic region which has a size suitable for bridging a distance between the droplets and at least one hydrophobic region which is able to enter into hydrophobic interaction with the droplets.

- 64. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 46, wherein the formulation has a defined yield point.
- 65. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 64, wherein the formulation has a yield point of from 40 to 120 Pa, determined at 25°C by means of a shear stress time ramp of 40 Pa/min.
- 66. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 46, wherein the formulation is suitable for application to human skin.
- 67. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 46, wherein (b) consists essentially of mandelic acid.
- 68. (new) A cosmetic formulation comprising (a) activated aluminium chlorohydrate, (b) mandelic acid and (c) water.
- 69. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 68, wherein a ratio of (a) to (b) is from 10:1 to

2.5:1.

- 70. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 68, wherein the formulation comprises from 1% to 20% by weight of (a) and from 0.1% to 8% by weight of (b), each based on a total weight of the formulation.
- 71. (new) The cosmetic formulation of claim 70, wherein the formulation comprises an O/W microemulsion.
- 72. (new) An antiperspirant product which comprises the cosmetic formulation of claim 46.
- 73. (new) The antiperspirant product of claim 72 which comprises a transparent antiperspirant hydrogel.
- 74. (new) An aqueous antiperspirant preparation which comprises at least one antiperspirant activated aluminum compound and at least one α -hydroxycarboxylic acid which comprises mandelic acid.
- 75. (new) The preparation of claim 74, wherein the at least one α -hydroxycarboxylic acid consists essentially of mandelic acid.